

Senate Resolution 1175

By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Miles of the 43rd, Powell of the 23rd, Brown of the 26th, Henson of the 41st and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mr. Lee Haney; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Lee Haney is one of Georgia's most celebrated native sons, thanks to his
3 unparalleled achievements in the world of bodybuilding and his tireless philanthropic work;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, during the course of his legendary bodybuilding career, he won the Mr. Olympia
6 title an unprecedented eight times, was the first contestant to receive two perfect scores, and
7 at age 24 was the youngest person to ever win the competition, a distinction that earned him
8 a place in the Guinness Book of World Records; and

9 WHEREAS, today, Mr. Haney focuses most of his effort on education and training others,
10 and his Lee's World Class Fitness Center is the wellness center for the City of Atlanta; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Haney is the author of three books, *Total Lee Awesome*, *Ultimate*
12 *Bodybuilding*, and *Beyond the Pump*, and hosts a popular television program, *TotaLEE FIT*,
13 on the Trinity Broadcasting Network; and

14 WHEREAS, he is a devout Christian and has put his faith into action through his dedicated
15 charitable efforts; and

16 WHEREAS, he is the founder of Haney's Harvest House, a nonprofit 40 acre retreat facility
17 for young people that partners with churches and community groups to make a difference in
18 the lives of at-risk youths; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Haney's tremendous talents and unwavering commitment to helping his
20 fellow man have earned him numerous accolades, including recognitions from the United

1 States Sports Academy and the International Federation of Bodybuilding and the
2 BellSouth/Coca-Cola Centennial Award for his work at Haney's Harvest House; and

3 WHEREAS, widely respected for his expertise on exercise and healthy living, Mr. Haney
4 served as chair of the prestigious President's Council of Physical Fitness during the Clinton
5 Administration; and

6 WHEREAS, in recognition of his many impressive accomplishments, Mr. Haney recently
7 received the 2006 Arnold Lifetime Achievement Award, which was presented to him on
8 March 4, 2006, by California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger at the 18th Annual Arnold
9 Sports Festival in Columbus, Ohio; and

10 WHEREAS, a devoted family man, Mr. Haney is married to his second-grade sweetheart,
11 Shirley Draper, and has two children, Joshua and Olympia; and

12 WHEREAS, Georgia is very proud to call this extraordinary gentleman one of its own.

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
14 join in commending Mr. Lee Haney for his many outstanding contributions to Georgia.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
16 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Lee Haney.